Blaine recently said that the nominaworld grows older.

tion surely teaches-namely, that people demand truthful utterances from

ponent, who regarded his candidacy with indifference, had, he was certain, one bomb which, when exploded, classes of England are given to lying. "Did you ever make that remark?" asked Mill's opponent at an immense mass meeting composed almost entirely of the working-classes. Mills straightened himself, looked the man in the eye, and said simply: "I did." That was all-no explanation; no equivalent. What was the result? That meeting, classes, sent forth a shout of applause which shook the building. Here was a public man who had the courage to tell to him. He had made an assertion he ocation. It elected Mill. These people felt that here at least was one public man who was not given to lying.

If one cause more than another can be given for Blaine's defeat it is to be found in the fact that the people had

Richmond (Va.) State.

## GENUINE BOURBONS.

Politicians Who Never Learn and Who Never Forget-The Bloody Shirt Busi-

' The Republicans of Ohio are genuine Bourbons. Like the line of princes who bore that name they never forget and they never learn. The utterances of the platform which they adopted at their with which the Republican papers seek convention last week is the most fool- to rouse popular indignation against hardy attempt to revive dead and long this "inconsistent and hypocritical" and no one ought to know this better his way up from every grade." And than the Republican leaders in Ohio. | then, there is the Director of the Mint, The platform adopted by them was denounced in advance seven years ago by the most brilliant Republican statesman their State ever produced. We refer to bureau; he, too, is to go and make room General Garfield, who, on the 10th of for a Democrat. The Republican press October, 1878, spoke as follows in the thinks, or affects to think, it is insuffer-House of Representatives: "I want to able, and the people ought to gnash say another thing. The man who their teeth at the way the Democratic attempts to get up a political excitement | Administration is turning good Repubin this country on the old sectional licans out of office. issues will find himself without a party of these purposes is a public bene- violation of the spirit of the Civil-Service

"Without a party and without sup the defeat of the Republicaus in Ohio edy. Didn't they turn out "the grand in 1885. At the same time he outlined old party' last fall, the party which, in Republicans now denounce, President | erned the country with admirable fidel-Cleveland, who in three short months ity and success for twenty-four years, has done more to firmly reunite the the party that had saved the Union. North and South than was accomplished freed the slaves, half paid the public by the Republicans in twenty years. He is endeavoring to make the inter- specie payment (after suspending it). ests-business, political and social-of the two great sections of this country things? Didn't they turn out that 'old a unit, and because his efforts are being and faithful officer," President Arthur, of Ohio lyingly assert that he has ap- faithful" patriot, Mr. Blaine, for no pointed unrepentant rebels to office and disregarded the claims of the Northern veterans. And the leading Republican journals of the country, re-echo-White House, utterly ignorant of Presiing the sentiments of the Springfield Convention, assert that these are the grounds upon which the political bat-tles of the next four years are to be

Such blind folly as this invites defeat, and defeat will come. If there are they began it. President Cleveland is any Republicans in Ohio who still revere only imitating and obeying them. -St. the utterances of their great leader, let Louis Republican. them heed the warning of seven years ago before it is too late. The party newal of sectional strife will find the When the berries begin to ripen the

about its neck was a circle of short stiff esting spectacle. - Chicago Times. hairs. Its color was brown, with red bands around the body at intervals of a few inches. Killing it was an easy one of the new settlers of McIntosh matter, as it was helpless from gorging when discovered, being in the act of the steady winds of the prairies, and

A PAINSTAKING OFFICIAL the Keen Judgment of the President Fully Exemplified in His Selection.

Postmaster-General Vilas has accomtion for the Presidency had been thrust plished a vast amount of work during at him, and he did not feel justified in the three months he has been in office. declining it. This is political, or, more In no instance was the keen judgment strictly speaking, parliamentary lan- of President Cleveland exemplified guage of that nature coming more gen- more fully than in his selection of this erally into use among politicians as the hard-working, capable official. He threw himself into his work from the There is no reason why a politician beginning with a zeal and activity should not tell the truth. He has to that have been crowned with a gratifybeginning with a zeal and activity mix with all classes of people; sees all ing success. To this zeal and activity phases of life; possesses rare opportuni- he has combined excellent judgment ties for the study of human nature, and, and caution, earnestness, tireless indusif originally without a talent for close try and readiness to adopt, after careful observation, his constant intercourse scrutiny, any new method which may with men should of itself nourish into | tend to simplify and facilitate the workactivity even his most latent possessions lings of his department. Like the other of the perceptive quality and cause him | members of the Cabinet, Mr. Vilas is a to learn the one fact which his observa- steadfast upholder of the true principles of Civil-Service reform, to which the President is unalterably committed. public men. They are supposed to He found the department in a condition speak for the masses, and therefore their responsibility is all the greater.

John Stuart Mill was once invited to meated with the leaven of the notorious stand for Parliament by a few friends | Frank Hatton and the still more notoriwho knew his great ability. He con- ous Brady, and was, if possible, more sented, but he was generally unknown Republican and offensively partisan to the people of that particular district. than any of the other departments. The voting population was made up largely of workingmen. His opwas the only Lot who was considered worthy of being saved.

Throughout the length and breadth would shatter Mill's slightest chance of of the land were postmasters who obsuccess. It was a report that had been tained their positions as the reward of raked up from the past to the effect that | party services and on the condition that Mill had once said that "the working | they were to regard themselves as mere electioneering agents when the good of the party demanded it. Democrats were rigidly excluded, as a matter of course, from this huge partisan machine.

Mr. Vilas, although naturally sur prised at the magnitude of the evil he was appointed to suppress, did not indulge in precipitate measures which made up as it was of the working might have embarrassed the postal service and have done violence to his reform principles. He has proceeded cautiously, examined each case carethe truth about a remark he had made, fully before making a removal or an although the truth appeared damaging appointment, and consequently he has, as far as he has been able to go, so far, should not have made, but he did not raised the standard of the service to a attempt to escape the penalty by equiv- degree of efficiency and honesty which would have been considered impossible whom he had once dispraised realized six months ago. Besides the excellent that they would get in him a man material he has substituted for corrup-whose word they could rely upon. They tion in the postoffices, he has stopped tion in the postoffices, he has stopped several important leaks in the business of his department. By a new postage stamp contract he saves over thirty thousand dollars a year to the Government and seven thousand on postal ceased to believe what he said. He had cards. In one item of sending office made so many misstatements that the packages by mail he effected a saving public wanted the affidavits to substan- of \$42,437.25. All this has been actiate his utterances. He had made that complished in the first three months of mistake so surprisingly common among his administration, and he proposes to public men-namely, that the people do a great deal more when time and can be fooled more than once. It is a familiarity with the workings of his contrary fact that the masses are like a office permit. He has been more child. One untruth can forfeit a trust fiercely assailed by the spoilsmen, probof years. And Blaine has lied repeat- ably, than any other member of the edly, but never so transparently as Administration, but they have failed to when he avowed that he did not try to move him a jot from the plan of thorget the Republican nomination for the ough reform he has mapped out for himself. Virginia is particularly in-His last reported utterance is that he debted to him for removing from her will never again be a candidate. But shoulders the incubus of Mahoneism. who believes him? Who can believe which derived all its oppressiveness him? Because a man is a Republican from the Federal patronage in the hands it is not necessarily held that he is a of the apostle of repudiation. The genliar. Because a man is a public man it eral cleaning out of Mahone postis not necessarily held that all public masters will enable the Old Dominion men are liars. But Blaine as being a to recuperate and meet the emergency conspicuous Republican and public man of financial difficulties now presented has been a shining exemplification of before it. Mr. Vilas is the youngest of the fact that both Republicans and public the Cabinet officers, but he has given lie men can lie and do lie too often .- ample evidence of ripe judgment and caution which dismisses to a vanishing point all dread of blunders. The post-

> ORDERED BY THE PEOPLE. The Removal of Republican Office-Holders

-Albany Argus.

office department is in excellent hands.

Imperatively Demanded. "Another old and faithful officer removed," is the pathetic announcement buried issues we have witnessed in Administration for displacing a Repubmany a day. The bloody shirt lost all lican official who has spent twenty-four the potency it ever possessed years ago, vears in the public service and "worked Mr. Burchard, an exceedingly meritorious officer, who has gained high credit by his judicious conduct of the coinage

It is hard. There is no reason for

and without support. The man who turning these good men out of office, wants to serve his country must put but that they are Republicans, and there himself in the line of its leading thought, is no reason for putting new men in, and that is the restoration of business, but that they are Democrats. It is not trade, commerce, industry, sound polit- only an outrageous and crying injustice ical economy, hard money and honest to the good men who have been, some payment of all obligations; and the of them, drawing salaries from the Govman who can add anything in the ernment for eighteen, twenty and direction of the accomplishment of any twenty-four years, but it is a flagrant rules. The people must be appealed to.

But here is the trouble: The people port," these are the words in which General Gardeld in 1878 foreshadowed mischief which they are asked to remthe course of the man whom these same | the opinion of its adherents, had govdebt (after contracting it), restored and done a great many other fine rewarded with success the Republicans and repudiate that other "old and other reason under the sun than that they were Republicans? And didn't dential duties, simply because he was a

Democrat? If the people are to be appealed to against President Cleveland, who is to the appealed to against the people? They are the authors of the trouble, for

-Visits to strawberry farms shows road a long and difficult one.—Pittsburgh Post.

A small pickers swarm to the various patches to
gather the berries for market. In the
Maryland fields the colored laborers A smake nine feet long and seven give great picturesqueness. The fields, inches in diameter was killed near half covered with berries, people clad Starucca, Pa., a few days ago. The in many-hued gowns, picking or carry-animal had a peculiar flat head and ing the fruit on trays, make an inter-

-Prof. John Ogden, & scientist, and when discovered, being in the devouring a newly-born lamb, which it devouring a newly-born lamb, which it had almost half swallowed.—Pittsburgh poses.—Maryville (D. T.) Tribune.

AN INCIDENT OF TRAVEL. Bill Nye Has a Vision Which the Morning

Night before last, after'l had registered at the hotel, and had been assigned "the last room in the house"-I use the language of the hotel clerk-I went into the dining-room to tea.

After I had regained my confidence presence of the head waiter, I began to of the mind may benefit one sick person on some unprotected woman with my it shall prevent many others from fallsunny smile. It is not my custom while ing into imaginary illness, it will contraveling to smile on one in whose fer a second benefit upon the commuheart a hope might spring up to be nity. Man is not in a condition to reject dashed to earth by my departure. If I the help of any of Nature's kind offers. have caused pain in that way I did not By means of all these discovered helps intend to do so. I can joke and carry on and have a real good time, but I do if not banished from the world. Will, not wish to inspire in any breast a hope energy, medicine, fasting, good air, which may be blasted, ah, alas! too good food, good water, are all friends

farther end of the room beneath the causes at different times of need. chandelier. Her skin seemed to be of charms. Still, she looked at me in a fully recovered. kind of a half reproachful manner, A citizen of Chicago who had been which gave me the idea that I did not in his bedroom for a few weeks, and

dreamed that night that I swooped went out to help save life and property. down upon her and carried her away to and became so fully aroused that his the remotest boundaries of the world | bedroom lost its charm. . He dined with in a special car. The next morning I his family and resumed business next awoke hungry, for I didn't eat much day, being unable to sink back to supper the evening before. I went feebleness. down to breakfast, waiting and fooling away my time, hoping that she would power of mind over matter, either to come while I was in the breakfast weaken it or to build it up, it is high room, and I would fill myself up with time for us all to invoke the aid of this the beautiful vision and a cup of coffee. spiritual influence in not a few days of Anon she came. She sailed into the life: but to call it a general practice of room with cold disdain, and an air of medicine is to attempt to make a part havteur, and such things as that. The equal the whole. This feat the new head waiter waved his hand like a self- practitioners are attempting to peracting duke in a theater, and gave her form. They are even attempting to

upon me. I ventured to look across the table at her in the full glare of the new-born logy was an attempt to carry a few day. (Stereoscopic views of this last general truths into a most detailed sentence will be forwarded to any ad- science; Socialism was an effort dress at \$1 per glare.) The first thing to take up the law of order that I discovered was that she hadn't and apply it until society should put her yellow wig on straight. It become a precise machine; Thoreau atother, which gave her the air of a live alone on ten dollars a year; Quakyoung man who had over-monkeyed erism was an attempt to kill off all with the flowing bowl. This showed colors except drab, and all music exto the casual spectator a glimpse of her | cept the sing-song of their speeches at own moth-eaten sage-brush hair peeping out like the faded tail on an old

buffalo robe. Then I knew we could never be more to each other than friends. Her nose was red also and she had not been properly calcimined. In the hurry of dressing she had missed her nose with the powder-rag, and that organ -meaning, of course, the nose, not the powder-rag-loomed up robust and purple in the ghastly waste of society .- David Swing, in Chicago Curcheek-bones and other osseous forma-

Ah, what a pain it gave me to see my beautiful vision fade thus before my eyes! Then I thought how I had smiled upon her the evening before, and how, perhaps, a new hope had sprung up in her heart, and I feared that when she knew it was all over between us the shock, at her time of life.

might kill her. I left my hot pancakes, with the maple sirup all over them, and fled. Out into the din, the hurry and the tireless rush of the mad, mad world, trying to stifle the memory of that broken heart. Should she see these lines. I hope she will not think bitterly of me. I still admire her as a well-preserved ruin, but love in such a case would be a hollow mockery .-Bill Nye, in Springfield Journal.

## THE MIND CURE.

Expansion Into a Medical Practice of the Power the Mind Has Over the Body.

It has always been known that the mind can exert a good or bad influence over the body. The old mental philosophies were full of stories which had a tendency to show how persons had taken to bed after having been told, by a succession of acquaintances, about the dreadful paleness of face or of a most unhealthy expression of the eyes. It was also affirmed, in the olden newspapers, that some mischievous wife made her husband believe that should by all means hasten to the German Springs, and should take her along as nurse, his condition being so critical. The wife thus secured a trip to Europe-her art being that of taking pieces out of her husband's vests. so that it became almost impossible for him to make them reach around his

abnormal body. The Metaphysical Cure is. therefore, not a discovery, but the expansion into a medical practice of a power which had once been little else than a curiosity. A tendency of our age is to utilize forces. Nothing so pains the American mind as the thought of having anything go to waste. We are now in worry lest there may be an electric potency that might turn all our wheels: we are attempting to run engines by sunbeams; the waste of water-power at Niagara is the grief of many; while those who have escaped forms of distress are made unhappy because the air is not as full of balloons as the streets

are of cars and wagons. In such a day it was very naturally concluded that if mind has a power over health and disease, let us utilize this power. Let us not permit the force to escape all duty, like the waters of Niagara. Let us not permit merely inducing dropsy and a foreign trip.

Let us domest cate this mental influartful women to use it as a means of

about eight or ten years ago. In the hands of extremists it is made partly day!" And when he handed her the like, and dress nice, and lives in a big Thus came the "Metaphysical Cure" hands of extremists it is made partly one of the delusions of the world, but in the hands of the wise and moderate in the hands of the wise and moderate Mitchell made not to say anything made and will hands of the wise and will hands of the wise and moderate Mitchell made not to say anything hands a soft; so the it is a tonic of great value, and will about the chips on the unmistakably displace a large amount of quinine and sticky table scarf.—Illustrated Christicky wild-cherry bitters. Its philosophy may all be summed up in the fact that the soul affects the body and can rouse up its torpid blood, can make the liver, heart, lungs and the brain—that nerve

ris has, perhaps, saved her life by acting upon the stage just enough to enae her mind to reconstruct, from time to time, her delicate physique. One of the old poets said: "The soul doth the body make"—it being a well-known fact that the educated and powerful mind makes the face into its own like-

This is, then, the philosophy of the mind cure. It can do much for man, among strangers, and curled myself up and is not to be approached because it in as abject a manner as possible in the can not do everything. If the influence look around for an opportunity to beam in twenty-five, it will then surpass in of health, but no one of these is master It was not long before I discovered a of the entire field of ailment. He will beautiful blonde of the female sex at the act most wisely who employs all these

The instances in which the body is a delicate sea-shell color, and her hair languishing under only a feeble willwas corn-colored. Her clothes also power are very many. A delicatelywere entirely new, I should judge, and organized lady of Chicago lay sick a made especially for her. On her finger few weeks with lung fever, and became she wore a diamond ring with perfect so accustomed to feebleness that at last ease. She knew just how to work that she had to be told very plainly by her finger in order to get the most poss ble glitter out of her diamond. Every little she must rise, dress and go down to while I would look over there and revel the supper table. She has lived to in her beauty, and I thought that she laugh over the absurdity of spending was not entirely insensible to my perhaps two weeks in bed after she had

know whether it was intentional or no thought of going out to business for a week or more, was cured by a con-All that evening she was in my m nd. | flagration in a neighbor's house. He

With masses of such evidences of the a seat at my table. A thrill passed up through my graceful and delicatelymolded spinal column, and I laid down ing his mental force a thousand miles, the vulgar sausage with which I was and making t land like a bombshell about to feed myself when she dawned amid the works of the enemy. This is that reductio ad absurdum which has been common in all times. Phrenowas a little higher on one ear than the tempted to simplify man until he could

> meeting. But all these efforts to force the universe into one fact or one fancy will fal. and the "Metaphysical Doctors" will have the mortification of taking some backsteps. They can help our world, but not by prom sing, like a patent med cine, to cure every torm of disorder. They should be satisfied with the study and practice of art which may accomplish much good for

## BOYS.

A Bad Thing Not to Have Them In

Mrs. Mitchell asserted and reasserted with a change of emphasis. There was only one person within hearing, for the boy whom she thought "beyond compare" had vanished after being apprehended in a frolic with his immense Newfoundland dog and his small brother, and the three playmates had left the room d'sordered, 'demoralized," Mrs. Mitchell said. She had come home from a drive with a plaintive little woman, her cousin and guest; and to find her sitting-room "so" was "upsetting" to her house-wifely equilibrium. The other lady silently removed her wraps in an ante-room, and came to sit down in the disturbed of "picking up" room, during which Mrs. Mitchell continued: 'His grandmother says, Tom is as full of misch ef as an egg is of meat.' Just look at the threads in rageous Rab's toe-nails! Charley never gets into misch ef. even with Rab always ready to help? but when Tom comes, then I may expect something! Half-provoked that her cousin did not say a word in sympathy, "Just see she exclaimed; "they have made he was swelling up with dropsy, and taffy. Tom can coax Joanna to let him make taffy any time when her 'irons are off,' and they have chirped taffy here on my clean table scarf! Oh. oh. if you can tell me anything worse for a house than to have two boys in it-"I can. Not to have two boys in it!" The words were few and quietly spoken, but they fell upon the worry-

ing mother-heart heavily. How could she have so forgotten that ten years to create a stir in society this is the before her cousin had buried two such boys, scourged out of her house by diphtheria? With what altered feeling she went on with her task; and when the room was faultlessly trim, and she sat down, a horrible dread seized her What if it were never to be "upset" by Tom again? And when Tom came in again, she looked at him with different eves. She failed to see that a weight of snow clung to his rubber boots; that the objectionable dog followed him closely, looking askance at her, until, missing her cus-tomary "Out, s'r!" he lifted his heau proudly, watching his young mas-She only noted the healthy glow on the boy's face and the merry sparkle I had plenty of everything? He lookof his eyes and the frank good-humor that was inseparable from his breath. And when meek little Charley came in. the weakest and slowest and always the last of the trio, for once she was Cousin Maria any candy, and I came way back from Robinson's hill in a

-A skeleton seven feet long supposed to be that of an Indian and to center—quicken their pace and use up or crowd out the diseased globules from the blood and fluids. Clara Mordays ago.—Pittsburgh Post. PITH AND POINT.

-We presume that if General Frank Hatton journeyed to Russia he would become General Frank Hattoff.—Our

-A thief caught in the act said to the ancient orator Demosthenes: "I didn't know it was yours." "No," was the reply; "but you knew it wasn't yours." - Golden Days.

-The discovery has been made that the world does not revolve with the same momentum it did a thousand years ago, but it still swings round fast mough, to satisfy the man with a heavy bill coming due. - Chicago Trib

-It is said that a successful type setting machine has at last been put in operation. We go right smart on machinery, but we want to see it trot around the office hunting sorts and stealing leads before we take much stock in it. - Chicago Ledger. -A dude, who fell off a New York

ferry-boat, offered any one who would save his life \$1.50. The offer was final ly accepted by an old woman who wanted capital to set up an apple-stand, but she didn't make a move until this fact was fully explained to her fellowpassengers. - Detroit Free Press. -Nothing makes a man prouder than

to find when he has got his garden nicely laid out and the seeds all in, that every hen within a mile of him seems determined to have a claw in the job, and show him how she would have arvanged matters if he had consulted her. -Fall River Advance.

-Then and Now.

He called me Popsey, Sweet, and Pet, When we began our married life, His guiding star, his loved Annette, His hope, his joy, his darling wife. These fond endearments are all o'er, And though his heart no doubt is true,

I hear those pretty names no more, For now he calls me "Say there, you! -Judge-"Did you witness the accident?" Witness-"I did." Judge"At what distance?" Witness-"Sixty-seven feet and nine inches." Judge "How do you know so exactly? Witness-"Well, I knew that I would be summoned, and I prepared myself for all the foolish questions that I knew would be put to me in a court of law.' -N. Y. Telegram.

-Tenant (to owner of East Side Harlem flat): "Some of the plaster in my kitchen fell down last night, and l want you to fix it." Landlord: "What caused it?" Tenant: "The man who occupies the floor above sneezed." Landlord: "Well! Some people think because they pay twenty-two dollars a month rent they can carry on just as if they lived in a Roman citadel."-N. Y. Independent.

THE NUPTIAL KNOT. Seven Separate and Distinct Ways of Com-

mitting Matrimony. There are seven separate and distinct tied, the attending expense of the different modes varying from \$1 to \$1,000. The least expensive, and the one seldom adopted. except in cases of elopement, is that afforded by the Justice's office. There a couple can be firmly united in the space of a minute for a small sum. It is customary for a groom to dress as he may please when the marriage is to be performed by a Justice, and a dress suit would be sadly out of place in the musty law. office. The one great advantage of the justice-shop marriage is cheapness.

As some people object to being married by a Justice of the Peace, preferring the sanction of the church in addition to that of the law, the young people may visit a parsonage instead of a Justice's office with the same preparation. The ceremony may be fully as informal when at the minister's home, the only difference being that not less than \$3, and better still \$5 or \$10, should be paid for the service, although there is no fixed sum charged. The most popular ceremony among peowho do not class themselves as in "society," and also among many who do, is a quiet home wedding, where the br de is attired in a suit of plain white or a traveling dress, and the groom in a plain black or brown bus ness suit, and where only a few fr.ends and relatives are present. The affair is informal, perhaps a modest supper or lunch being served after the ceremony is performed, and the entire expense to the groom being covered by \$20 bill, or even less. This is the most popular wedding ceremony, and this is the way in which fully seventyfive per cent. of young people aremar-

Next in point of favor and inexpens veness is the informal church wedding, being sim lar in all things except that the service is performed within the portals of the church. If the affair is strictly private, the bride and groom may be unsupported, or have br desmaids and groomsmen, as they please. In the latter case full dress suits should be worn, increasing the expense. The "full dress wed ding." as it may be called when the ceremony is performed at home, is next in favor. Elaborate trousseau, full dress suits, bridesmaids and groomsmen, flowers in abundance, and a host of invited guests are the requisites, followed by a recept on, feast or lunch, as the contracting parties may desire. The seventh and last, and most popular is the full-dress affair performed in church. Among people who desire favorite. It is expensive, and in many cases unsatisfactory. - Milwaukee Jour.

## The London Ragamuffin.

The genuine ragamuffin will never complain. He never expects or even hopes that his condition will improve; he is as much a fatalist as the Turk. I once asked an interesting little boy with a pale, careworn face and an intelligent expression, if he had ever wondered why it was that he had nothing but rags; why it was he had no boots, and sometimes no bread to eat, while ed up at me with a calm, patient expression, as much as to say, "I have never wondered at such things.' "Tell me." I persisted, "have you ever thought about this difference? the Lord's will." he replied tritely; but he seemed reluctant, when I pressed him, to explain what he understood by the Lord's will. At last in a timid. hurried voice he said: "It is all the consideration-"and a sofy; so the Lord sees as how you are gentlefolks, and He think lots of such lke as you. But we are very poor, we are. Mother pawns the blankets, and father beats mother, and swears awful. We ain't got no Sunday things; we're all raggety, so the Lord don't take much raggety, so the Lord don't take much notice on us."—English Illustrated day old. They were blind, not yet have yers in the State of New York and ing opened their eyes, and they had not 70,000 in the United States.

READING FOR THE YOUNG.

WHY THEY ARE GLAD. What do you think of the joyous song
The birdles sing each day?
And what is making the lambs so glad
As over the fields they play?

Tis surely this: that Summer is here; Summer is come again; The beautiful, laughing Summer sweet, That brightens both hill and plain,

And tumbles the daisies all about
Over the meadows fair,
And shakes her bottle of perfume out
To the soft and balmy air. The birds fiew up to the tender skies Where the white cloud-fairies dwell, And learned the secret that made the

glad, And down they flew to tell The little lambs and the gentle sheep
That the Summer was close at hand;
And it wasn't long till the good news gre
And spread all over the land.

So it seems to me that the song they sing Those birdies happy and free— Is full of the beautiful sunshine made Into glorious melody.

And over the fields the lambkins play, Where the buttercups grow so fast,
And the whole glad earth grows merry
each day
Because Summer is come at last.

—Mary D. Brine, in N. Y. Independent.

DISCONTENTED.

Sad Fate of the Dissatisfied Rose Tha Wanted to Fly.

A wild Rose opened her pink leaves one after another, one June morning, and smiled in wonder at seeing what a beautiful world she was in. She grew in a hedge-corner, on a low bush which the box and carried back to the drawer, had never bloomed before.

For awhile she was very well satisfied with peeping through the elm the very same way in which the cat branches above her at the blue sky, with sometimes a glance at the sun, which always made her wink; or looking around her at the clover and clematis and buttercups.

A little bright-haired child came and laughed in her face, and then touched her leaves gently with his soft fingers. believe. Of course the old mouse must "You are pretty! pretty!" she said. "No, you need not be afraid of me. I into her privacy, for she there and then will not pick you. You are prettiest resolved to provide some other place just where you are."

boy, as he ran about after a butterfly. "Why can't I walk and run too?" she said. "I don't like to stay in one place all the time. I am tired of looking at the same things. I want to see

what is on the other side of the hedge.' "Oh dear!" said the child. "Flowers don't walk. I never saw a tree nor a flower walk in my life. How funny it would be! You are just to keep still and look pretty,"

A Bluebird flew into the tree, and

sang a song so full of chirps and trills and twitters that the Rose held her breath to listen. can go and see all the beautiful things

in the world." "The beautiful things come to you,' said the Bluebird. "The birds sing to you, and the children laugh because you sure you are placed just where you

But the Rose was not contented. "I'm sure I could fly," she said, "if this stem did not hold me here so tight. Look at my leaves—they are as bright as the Butterfly's wings. If I could to that ugly brown earth!"

She fretted and sulked, never dreaming, poor silly little thing! that her life came from the humble earth. She strained and stretched in efforts to free herself, so that at last her slender stem became weakened and a

puff of wind broke it off. "Now I am free!" she cried. "Now see me fiv!"

She spread her leaves wide and waved them with all her might, but they were not wings. They could not carry her up into the sunny air, and she sank down upon the earth she had despised. The Sun beamed pityingly down upon her, and the Wind would have helped if it could, but they only wilted her now that she had left the bush which

had given her all her sweetness. The Bluebird looked sadly at her as she lay in the dust. "Poor little thing!" he said. "If she only had been contented where she

was so well off!" The child found her with her tender leaves faded and dying. "It isn't pretty any longer!" and she flung it into the road where a wheel

A FAITHFUL MOTHER.

Companion.

The True Story of a Mouse's Care for He Helpless Little Ones.

In the composing-room—the room in which the type is set for the Christian Union-are a half dozen mice, which are so domesticated that they run between the feet of the compositors and pick up the crumbs which are strewn on the floor. The compositors made a daily practice of throwing parts of their lunches to them, and they became so tame that they would come up to the men's hands, and eat bread therefrom. They climb up on the cases, and walk over the types, crawl up the men's coats, which hang on pegs on the wall, get into the pockets, and inspect things generally. I have taken one from the sleeve of my overcoat, allowed it to stand on my hand, run up my arm and jump from my shoulder on to the case without it showing the least fear or concern for its safety. But it is not the tameness of these

mice I am going to tell about. It is of the intelligence displayed by the mother and tender, and not able to help themselves; and it is but a short while since they were in such a helpless state. Standing behind, and convenient to.

were trying to get out, a croton-water bug, penhaps. The paper was such as had been thrown on the floor of the composing room on the floor of the composing room, and was cut up into

even one little hair on them. Perfectly wee, small, helpless little mice; so young they could not yet stand, but they all cuddled together in their nest to keep each other warm, while the good little mother was out toiling for

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some food to give them. Knowing that occasion would necessitate the opening of the drawer many times, and consequently disturb the quiet and rest of so young and helpless a family, I decided to remove them to a place where they would be safe from disturbance. I procured a cigar-box, filled it with scraps of paper similar to those in which the young mice were housed, nailed the cover on tightly, cut a hole in the side, and, taking the little mice one at a time, carefully deposited them in the box, which I then placed. directly under the drawer in which they were born, and awaited developments. In a few moments the mother came

to the drawer, and, finding her children

all gone, with a sad heart she instituted

a search. She scampered hither and thither, seemingly very much downcast, as she supposed her family were all kidnaped. However, it took her only a short time to find out their new house. She did not seem one bit pleased with the change; for no sooner had she discovered them than she returned to the drawer, shook up the old nest, carried some fresh soraps from the floor to it, and then returned to the cigarbox. During this time, nearly all the men ceased working and watched the eagerness with which the mother mouse worked. In less than ten minutes every where they were placed in their old nest, which was newly made up. In

takes hold of her kittens did the proud

mother mouse take hold of hers-by

the back of the neck. So much curiosity existed among the workmen that, in order to satisfy themselves in regard to the instinct, or rather intelligence, displayed by the mother mouse, each one went to the drawer to see for himself, that, seeing, he might have become enraged at such intrusion for a home for her children, where they But the Rose looked longingly at the would not be disturbed and where they might grow up in peace and quietness. Down into the cellar she went with all speed and did not again appear for at least half an hour. When she did return it must have been with a joyful heart, having chosen a site to which she could remove her family and where they would be away from any disturb-

ing influences. One after another she took by the back of the neck, jumped from the drawer and ran along the wall to an opening in the floor, through which she disappeared. It took her but a few minutes to safely deposit each one, when "Why can't I fly?" she said to the she would return for another, until all nest in the drawer.

After that the parent mice regularly came from the cellar to the composingroom, and gathered the crumbs for you, and the children laugh because you are sweet to them. The Sun smiles all forage and provide for themselves. day at you; the wind waits to whisper Now they are full grown, healthy mice, to you as he goes by, and all the dews and ramble around the composing-room and showers give you their kisses. Be without apparently any concern for their

Just think what amount of worry. care, anxiety and trouble that little mother mouse underwent in order to Who can tell what amount of suffering this little creature underwent, what see all the wonderful things in the great world on the other side of the hedge.

How cruel that I should be held down children, now that they are grown up, live happily together, and assist each other. She is no doubt pleased in secing her motherly influence descend to her children in their good education, their tameness, and their being so much better behaved than other mice. - Christian Union.

Just a Hint to Boys.

I stood in the store the other day when a boy came in and applied for a situation.

"Can you write a good hand?" was asked. "Yaas."

"Good at figures?" "Yang

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"That will do-I don't want you."

said the merchant. "But," I said, when the boy had gone, "I know that lad to be an honest, industrious boy. Why don't you give him a chance? "Because he hasn't learned to say 'Yes, sir' and 'No, sir.' If he answers

me as he did when applying for a situapassed over it and crushed it .- Youth's tion, how will he answer customers after being here a month?" What could I say to that? He had fallen into a habit, young as he was, which turned him away from the first

CHANGED CONDITIONS.

situation he had ever applied for -

European Demand for Those Acquainted with Oriental Languages.

There has suddenly sprung up a demand for Europeans who understand the languages of Oriental Nations. The Russian Government gives high pay to men who have a knowledge of the Chinese, Persian, Afghanistan and Sanscrit tongues. They are needed as interpreters, and if they are men of affairs also, they are well paid, and are given high official positions. The whole of Central Asia is to be opened up to the commerce of the world. Thibet, which has so carefully guarded its borders from foreign intruders, is negotiating through one of its Grand Lamas with an English agent named Colman Macauly, with a view to opening trade relations with India. Mr. Colquboun, who has traveled through the country, says that a railroad would when they were mere micelings, young now be welcomed in the Shan states between Burmah and China, and would pay large profits. From every quarter of Asia come reports of awakened enthe stove are about two dozen drawers, or what printers call a "cabinet," used for holding advertising plates, engravings, etc., which have appeared in backward continent. In the nearest one of these gravings, etc., which have appear these the paper. In the nearest one of these ishing phenomenon on the planet to-day drawers to the stove, which has been is the spectacle of renewed life in these is the spectacle of renewed life in t kept comfortably warm in the severest cold weather, these mice were born.

Having had occasion to open the fluence of Russian conquest south of drawer one morning, to my astonishment I saw some paper scraps in one corner move, as if something within spreading civilization and renewing

very small pieces. I lifted some of it to investigate, and there in the corner, of the young lawyers who start out in in a very cozy and warm little nest, their profession in New York City sue-were nine little mice not more than a ceed. There are said to be 11,000 law-